Missouri

(Dollars in Thousands)

	2012	5%	Revised
Missouri	Total*	Sequester	Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	80,270	-3,843	76,427

^{*} The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.

Interior funding in Missouri totaled about \$80 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$4 million. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

- The Department of Interior has a presence in Missouri with over 800 employees. Missouri has six units of the National Park System including historic sites, memorials, scenic riverways, and national battlefields, and shares six national scenic trails with adjoining States. In addition, Missouri hosts many varied and significant refuges.
- Together these assets attracted over 3.7 million visitors, created over 3,000 jobs, and generated \$200 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Missouri stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$215 thousand from Bureau of Indian Affairs activities.
 - \$1.3 million from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge* and *Great River National Wildlife Refuge*.
 - \$1.3 million from National Park Service sites like *Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site, and Wilson's Creek National Battlefield.*

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Missouri would drop by about \$1.8 million.

	Estimate		Revised Total
Interior Grants and Payments	Total	Sequester	
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	3,000	-153	2,847
Historic Preservation Fund	935	-47	888
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	787	-39	748
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	2,819	-144	2,675
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	23,217	-1,184	22,033
State and Wildlife Grants	946	-47	899
Mineral Revenue Payments	3,062	-156	2,906
Total, Missouri	34,766	-1,770	32,996

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.